

**Minutes of Regular Meeting
The Board of Trustees
Gregory-Portland ISD**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Gregory-Portland ISD was held Monday, April 28, 2025, beginning at 5:30 PM in the Gregory-Portland ISD Administration Building, 1200 Broadway, PORTLAND, TX 78374.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the order shown on this meeting notice.

Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

I. Call to Order and Establish Quorum

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Tim Flinn, President.
Members present: Mark Roach, Zachary Simmons, and Nicole Nolen.
Members absent: Carrie Gregory (arrived at 6:21 pm), Melissa Gonzales (arrived at 6:38 pm), Lora DeLuna. Others present: Dr. Michelle Cavazos, Jessica Alvarado, Kelly Perez, Dr. John Trevino, Dr. Michael Norris, Atanislao Acosta, Christopher Casarez, Erica Tapia, Gus Barrera, Jeff Atkinson, Kyle Jones, Jodie Scanlan, Lee Roy Gonzalez, Crystal Tyler, Cameron Curran, Tycee Sanchez, Jennifer Casas, Albert Silguero, Penny Armstrong, Debi Garza, George Hernandez, Alton Alexander, Michael Thieme, Melinda Pena, Buffy Longoria, Robin Rice, Ashley Banda, Dr. Ismael Gonzalez, Sarah Bellaire, Andy Hernandez, Salena Pereida, Anne Sanchez, Amy McClellan, Robyn Hernandez, Shannon Casas, Sandy Gonzalez, and Amy Malone.

CLOSED SESSION 5:31 P.M.

OPEN SESSION 6:03 P.M.

- II. The time is now 5:31 pm and we will convene in Closed Session, As Authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.071, 551.072, 551.073, 551.074, 551.076, 551.082, 551.0821, 551.083, 551.084, 551.087, 551.129 et seq.
- A. To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public employee or employees, including but not limited, to resignation and employment of personnel [551.074]
 - B. Deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code

- C. Deliberations regarding security devices or security audits [551.076]
- D. Discuss Superintendent's Evaluation

- III. Open Session Action, If Any, on Closed Session Deliberations Regarding:
 - A. Consider Resignations of Personnel and Review Vacancy Report

No Action Taken

- B. Consider Employment of Personnel

It was recommended that the board approve the Superintendent's recommendation for the Position of Principal at Gregory-Portland High School as discussed in closed session. Nicole Nolen made the motion, which was seconded by Zachary Simmon; motion carried 4/0.

It was recommended that the board approve the Superintendent's recommendation for the Position of Director of Transportation as discussed in closed session. Nicole Nolen made the motion, which was seconded by Zachary Simmon; motion carried 4/0.

It was recommended that the board approve the Superintendent's recommendation for the Position of Executive Director of Communication and Community Engagement as discussed in closed session. Zachary Simmons made the motion, which was seconded by Nicole Nolen; motion carried 4/0.

- IV. Invocation was given by Nicole Nolen.
- V. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Zachary Simmons.
- VI. Reading of the Gregory-Portland ISD Vision, Mission & Belief Statements and Board Meeting Norms
- VII. Recognitions / Presentations
 - A. Recognize Elected Officials & Honored Guests
 - B. Student and/or Community Recognition
 - 1. Sophia Arthurs, William Maher, Antonio Rios, Emily Sieck, Chloe Ellis, Gabriellah Smith, Isabelle Casas, Aubrie Fountain, Zachary Brennan, Gemma DeVos
 - C. Employee Recognition
 - 1. Jess Opulencia, Melinda Longoria, Amy Atkinson, Dr. Ismael Gonzalez III, Alberto Silguero, Laurie Williams, Vicki Schmidt, Buffy Longoria, Chris Casarez, Ashley Ballew, Delaina Kashner, Melissa Bartee, Ivonne Banda, Jackie Aragon, Tonya Lorberau, Nicole Geerdes-Lyon, Cyndee Alvarado, Britney Baker, Kory Baker, Reagan Crawford, Mara Davis, Erin Erben, Julie Garland,

Nicole Gloor, Pamela Gonzales, Vicki Hanson, Kristie Hayward, Angela Heflin, Diana Johnson, Rachel Lovins, Caroline Martini, Stacey McClary, Angela McMahan, Genna McMillin, Meredith Pena, Janie Perez, Marilynn Reed, Sonia Reyes, Kelsey Sellars, Dani Smith, Kortney Smith, Alison Teinert, Dawn Uptergrove, Azucena Vanderford, Chelsea Watson, Brent Wooten, Annette Merritt, Derrick Mercado, Edward Espinosa, Victoria Moore, Jeremy Whipkey, Leah Bryars, Reagan Crawford, Audrey Garcia, Angela McMahan, Mario Solis, Dr. Laurie Turner, Chelsea Watson, Bailee Schnurpel, Cassandra Smith, Bailey Beecroft, Heather Burns, and Kelsey Sellars.

VIII. Comments from Public in Open Forum – No Public Comment

IX. Consent Agenda

- A. Receive and Approve Minutes
- B. Consider Ratification of Payment of Bills
- C. Consider Approval of Donations
- D. Consider Approval of the Quarterly Investment Report for Quarter Ending February 28, 2025
- E. Consider Approval for G-PHS Speech and Debate Student Out of State Travel for the National Individual Events Tournament of Champions in Kansas City, Missouri, May 15-18, 2025
- F. Consider Approval for G-PHS Speech and Debate Student Out of State Travel for the National Speech & Debate Association in Des Moines, Iowa, June 15-20, 2025
- G. Consider Approval for Revisions to EIC(LOCAL)

It was recommended that the Board approve items A, B, C, D, and G as one item. Nicole Nolen made the motion, which was seconded by Zachary Simmons; motion carried 6/0.

It was recommended that the Board approve items E and F as one item. Carrie Gregory made the motion, which was seconded by Nicole Nolen; motion carried 6/0.

X. Regular Business Action Items

- A. Discuss and Take Possible Action on CSP#2425-02 Middle School Parking Lot Addition

It was recommended that the Board accept Administration's recommendation to approve and award a contract to vendor: Barcom, for a total amount not to exceed \$735,000 regarding CSP#2425-02 Middle School Parking Lot Addition. Nicole Nolen made the motion, which was seconded by Carrie Gregory; motion carried 6/0.

- B. Discuss and Take Possible Action on RFP#2425-03 Construction Service Experiential Learning at Three (3) Elementary Schools Construction Manager At-Risk

It was recommended that the Board reject all bids regarding RFP# 2425-03 Construction Services Experiential Learning at three (3) Elementary Schools Construction Manager at-Risk. Mark Roach made the motion, which was seconded by Nicole Nolen; motion carried 6/0.

- C. Discuss and Take Possible Action of the Adoption of Open Educational Resource Instructional Material Transition Plan – Bluebonnet Math

It was recommended that the Board accept Administration's recommendation for the adoption of the Open Educational Resource Instructional Material Transition Plan regarding Bluebonnet Math as presented. Nicole Nolen made the motion, which was seconded by Carrie Gregory; motion carried 6/0.

- D. Discuss and Take Possible Action on Approval of Participation in Spanish Bluebonnet Math Pilot

It was recommended that the Board accept Administration's recommendation for the approval of participation in the Spanish Bluebonnet Math Pilot for the 2025-2026 school year as presented. Nicole Nolen made the motion, which was seconded by Zachary Simmons; motion carried 6/0.

- E. Discuss and Take Possible Action on Certification of Provision of Instructional Materials Survey 2025-26 Priorities

It was recommended that the Board accept Administration's recommendation for the approval of the Certification of Provision of Instructional Materials Survey 2025-26 as presented. Mark Roach made the motion, which was seconded by Nicole Nolen; motion carried 6/0.

- XI. Reports/Discussion Items
 - A. Board Scorecard Report
 - 1. Review Board Calendar
 - 2. HEB Scholarship Criteria
 - B. Superintendent's Report
 - 1. Priority 4 Update
 - 2. Legislative Update

NO SECOND CLOSED

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- XII. Board Instructions to President/Superintendent on Items of Discussion

Melissa Gonzales, Nicole Nolen, Carrie Gregory will be a subcommittee to work on scholarship criteria.

- XIII. Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 PM

Board President, Tim Flinn

Board Secretary, Melissa Gonzales